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(571) 272-3282.Patent Number: 6179736Application Number: 09/227,139Issue Date: 01-30-2001Filing Date: 01-07-1999

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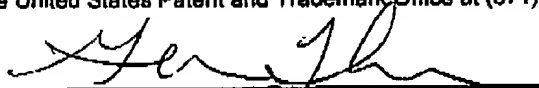
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9. PETITIONER(S) REQUESTS THAT THE DELAYED PAYMENT OF THE MAINTENANCE FEE BE ACCEPTED AND THE PATENT REINSTATED.

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Patent Number: 6554726Application Number: 09/771,822Issue Date: 04/29/2003Filing Date: 01/29/2001

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Patent No. 6821219Application Number 09/886,513Issue Date 12/23/2004Filing Date 06/21/2001

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MAINTENANCE FEE BEING SUBMITTED \$ 490

4. SURCHARGE

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3. MAINTENANCE FEE (37 CFR 1.20(e)-(g))

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